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TAGS: PEPR, PGOV, GE, VT
SUBJECT: GDR PRESS TREATMENT OF DEATH OF THE POPE

1. THE GDR PRESS, INCLUDING THE SED PAPER NEUES
DEUTSCHLAND, HAS GIVEN FULL COVERAGE TO THE DEATH OF
POPE PAUL AND HAS DEPICTED THE POPE IN FAVORABLE
TERMS. THE EAST GERMAN CDU PAPER, NEUE ZEIT, GIVES
EXTENSIVE TREATMENT TO THE POPE'S LIFE AND ACTIVITIES,
DEVOTING HALF OF PAGE ONE AND A FULL INSIDE PAGE,
WITH MANY PICTURES AND QUOTES FROM THE POPE'S
PUBLIC STATEMENTS. SPECIAL EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON
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HIS EFFORTS TO END THE VIETNAM WAR AND FIND PEACE
IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

2. TONE OF THE TREATMENT OF THE POPE IS SET IN A
MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE FROM ERICH HONECKER CARRIED
IN ALL EAST BERLIN DAILY PAPERS AUGUST 8. THE
MESSAGE STATES THAT THE WORK OF POPE PAUL FOR PEACE

AND INTERNATIONAL DETENTE, FOR HUMANITY AND UNDERSTANDING
AMONG PEOPLES WAS RECOGNIZED WORLDWIDE AND WAS HIGHLY
REGARDED IN THE GDR. BOLEN

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